

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I'm trying to come to grips with Amendment 1201, I believe. Senator Warner, two questions if I might. First, I understand that the amount of the proportion between income based capitalization rate and market based capitalization rate is 90-10. Why 90-10? Why not 50-50, 75-25? What is the rationality for those two numbers?

SENATOR WARNER: The reason, as you know, Senator Landis, the bill I introduced was a 50-50 one. Again it is the sole argument that I've used all the way along, it is the standard for comparison, 10 percent still retains the ability to make that comparison, whether it is 10, or 50 percent, or 100 percent...well 100 percent would be different. But that is the reason. It is minimal. It doesn't impact significantly the capitalization rate that could be used, but it does retain that market comparison factor.

SENATOR LANDIS: I understand the nature of the answer, thank you. Secondly, tell me how you envision the Revenue Department creating a market based capitalization rate. What steps will be gone through to achieve that number?

SENATOR WARNER: My presumption, Senator Landis, would be exactly as they did the market value, they actually back into it, as you know. As a practical matter they backed into it using sales...comparable sales data and earnings, arrived at a capitalization rate which is, as I indicated in my opening remarks, if you use the '85 manual you would have a capitalization rate significantly lower than 11, and the effect of this, were the '85 manual to be used, would be a slightly lower capitalization rate which would mean a slightly higher land value. But I also would argue that those market values from the '85 manual are totally out of touch with what the real world is about right now.

SENATOR LANDIS: Okay, thank you for the answers to the questions. They were very responsive and I appreciate that. Members of the Legislature, I oppose this Warner amendment. Number one, there isn't, other than the fact that you want to keep a figure alive, which we are keeping alive elsewhere, rationale as to why you use 90 or 10 percent. Secondly, the methodology that is proposed is I think